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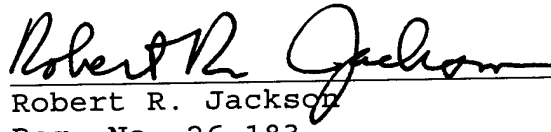
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants  
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Other Document

Shigley et al., Mechanical Engineering Design, Fifth Edition, 1989, McGraw-Hill, Inc., New York, pp. 58-60.

The aforementioned references are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate) and are enclosed herewith.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.


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